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**LISTING OF CLAIMS:**

1. (Currently amended) A weather strip having an extrusion portion, and a molded portion connected to the extrusion portion, the weather strip comprising:

a mounting base portion attachable to an opening portion or a door circumferential edge of a vehicle;

a seal portion that is integrally formed with the mounting base portion and has a hollow portion; and

~~a slit for taking out a core mold being formed in the mounting base portion of the molded portion when performing molding, wherein through which a core mold is removed in a molding process of the weather strip, wherein the slit is formed in the mounting base portion; and~~

at least one blocking member, ~~which has~~wherein the blocking member comprises:

a base portion;

~~an insertion portion to be~~portion, which projects from the base portion and which is to be fitted into the slit, and slit; and

~~an engaging projection respectively,~~which projects from the base portion and which is to be engaged with the mounting base portion opposed to each other across the slit, for blocking

wherein the blocking member blocks a predetermined zone of the slit by simultaneously clamping and locking the mounting base portion at least in a direction of width thereof.

2. (Currently amended) A weather strip according to claim 1, wherein:

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the engaging projection is formed in such a way as to project in parallel with the fitting insertion portion; and

a fitting groove, into which an associated engaging projection is fitted, is formed in the mounting base portion.

3. (Currently amended) A weather strip according to claim 1, wherein the blocking member further comprises:

a lock portion locked on an inner surface of the mounting base portion facing the hollow portion; and

~~the blocking member has a pair of sandwich holding portions, each of which is integrally formed with an associated one of both end parts of the fitting portion, for sandwich holding the mounting base portion; and~~

~~the engaging projection is integrally formed with at least one of the pair of sandwich holding portions~~

a pair of sandwich-holding portions constituted by the base portion in one end thereof and the lock portion in another end thereof, between which the insertion portion is located, for sandwiching the mounting base portion.

4. (Canceled)

5. (Currently amended) A weather strip according to claim 1, wherein:

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wherein the blocking member has a base~~the base~~ portion, which constitutes a part of the mounting base portion at a mounting face side of the mounting base portion when the blocking member is attached to the weather strip, and also

wherein the blocking member has a lock portion locked on an inner surface of the mounting base portion facing the hollow portion; and

~~the engaging projection is integrally formed with the base portion~~

wherein the blocking member is attached to the weather strip so that the base portion is substantially flush with a mounting face of the mounting base portion.

6. (Canceled)

7. (Original) A weather strip according to claim 5, wherein:

a tapered surface is formed on the lock portion at an end side of the blocking member.

8. (Currently amended) A weather strip according to claim 1, wherein:

the fitting insertion portion of the block member is formed so that thickness of the fitting insertion portion is wider greater than width of the slit, which extends in a longitudinal direction of the weather strip;

a pair of opposed concave portion, whose depth depends on the thickness of the fitting portion, portions is in the weather strip, and wherein one of the concave portions of said pair is formed in each of opposed opening face portion-portions of the slit at a place at which the fitting

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insertion portion is fitted into the slit, such that a gap between the opposed concave portions corresponds to the thickness of the insertion portion.

9. (Currently amended) A weather strip according to claim 1, ~~wherein:~~

~~the engaging projections are integrally formed with each other like a ring in such a way as to straddle over both the mounting base portion facing each other across the slit~~wherein the block member is one of a plurality of identical block members arranged in a longitudinal direction of the weather strip, each of which has the engaging projection that is like a ring so as to be engaged with a pair of arc-shaped fitting grooves interposing the slit on the mounting base portion.